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LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

FIRST-CLASS INSPECTION.

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COKE PRICES AND WAGES

It is unfortunate that the Hillman coke mines have seen fit to reduce the wages of its workmen in the Connelville coke region in order to make low-priced contracts for coke. It is unfortunate that such contracts were made, because they will result in less profit and less prosperity for everybody connected with the business of making coke.

It is true that the plans of the Hillman company have been to run full time and to give better employment to their workmen than other plants paying full scale wages but running irregularly with many lay-off days reducing the workman's income to less than the wages. The proposition that full time at reduced wages is better than full time at three-fourths the rate at full wages is something that is very welcome to the workmen under any circumstances and it is by them all ways looked upon with suspicion.

It must be remembered that in this connection, that while the operators run on these low-priced contracts they are able to give full employment to their workmen at full scale wages. The operators have been a persistent advocate of fair prices for coke and it has explained that by fair prices they meant prices that would enable the operators to make a fair profit and pay fair wages to their workmen.

The people of the Connelville coke region may be out of order when they are in interest when they are painfully forced reduced wages, and whether they are strictly parliament or not they usually enter their protest.

POODLE TO PIG NO MORE

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Daily Iron Trade. "The sharpest decline in the market price of pig iron in the past six months has been the legitimate fruit of the sharp decline in the market price of pig iron."

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STATE RIGHTS AND MINE BUREAUS

President Wilson in his message to Congress declared a paragraph to the Bureau of Mines in which he said: "Our Bureau of Mines ought to be equipped and empowered to render more efficient service than it is at present."

There are now more than 100,000 men employed in the coal mines of this country. The Bureau of Mines is a small agency with a small staff and a small budget. It is a small agency with a small staff and a small budget.

THING ON THE CAN

The News concludes its splendid display of ignorance concerning the coal business by trying to borrow its own simile to the tin can that the overheard arguments about Connelville are the trick. It says: "The News tested."

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**NEW PARTIES IN
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the Machine & Manufac-
turing Company.****TWO LOCAL MEN AS OFFICERS****Scottdale Men Sell Out Plant to
Washington, Pa., Marion, Indiana
and Scottdale Men, Connelville
Men in Deal for the Big Concern.**

SCOTSDALE, Jan. 16.—The largest and most important cash deal of its kind made here in many years was consummated yesterday when the Scottdale Machine & Manufacturing Company was sold to a number of outside and local capitalists. Likewise it is a most encouraging phase for local industry as the new concern takes hold without a dollar debt and with a large working capital that assures their going into the market with every advantage.

The new company will retain the name of the Scottdale Machine & Manufacturing Company which is nationally known for its line of coal and coke working machinery, engines, etc. The new owners have organized as follows: C. C. Chamberlain of Washington, Pa., president; Henry L. Brubaker of Marion, Indiana, vice president and secretary; Charles H. Loucks of Scottdale, treasurer, and Albert E. Loucks of Marion, Indiana, and William Doolittle of Scottdale, the other two directors of the board. Mr. Doolittle, who has been manager for some time will retain that position. All are men of large experience in foundry and machine practice and successful men, whose past and present activities should be duplicated here and give promise of full running of the plant.

The owners who sold out are M. S. Loucks, A. K. Stauffer, E. F. Overholt, W. F. Stanley, J. J. Kennedy, J. S. Parker and the E. A. Humphries Estate, all of Scottdale, and Worth Kilpatrick of Connelville.

The concern was the outgrowth of Kenney & Co., established here in 1883, and the present big plant was built following the fire which destroyed the Kenney shop a few years ago. It employs about 600 men when running to its capacity.

URGE U. S. OWNERSHIP**Senator Martine Believes Government
Should Operate Mines.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Government ownership of the great coal mines of the country as a remedy for strike disturbances was recommended by Senator Martine of New Jersey in a report submitted to Chairman Swanson of the Senate committee, which is investigating the West Virginia coal strike troubles.

Senator Martine, charged particularly with the inquiry regarding interference with the mails and the employment of contract labor, reported that the evidence failed to establish either of these conditions.

The report attributed much of the violence and bloodshed in West Virginia to the presence of armed guards hired by the mine operators and recommended the passage of a bill in the Senate's last session, prohibiting the employment of armed police by private organizations.

PREPARE FOR INSTITUTE**Coal Mining Institute Will be Held in
Monongahela.**

Arrangements are already being made for the meeting of the Coal Mining Institute of America which is to be held in Monongahela in June. It has been decided that practical subjects will be discussed, to the exclusion of merely technical matters.

Papers on "The Lake Erie and Ohio River Ship Canal," "Mining Timber," "Accidents Caused by Machine Mining and Pick Mining" and "Efficiency" will be read.

Joseph K. Johnston of Pittsburgh is president of the institute. Other members of the executive committee are L. C. Roly of Uniontown, A. P. Cameron of Ticonderoga, Joseph H. Kasper of Duquesne, William Seddon of Brownsville, and C. L. Fay of Wilkes-Barre.

GAS MEN HOPEFUL**Still Believe Tests Near Rockwood
Will be Profitable.**

ROCKWOOD, Jan. 16.—The oil and gas promoters who recently put down a test hole on the S. S. Mosholder farm, west of Rockwood, in Milford township, while they did not find sufficient gas to warrant piping for domestic use, are keeping a watch on the test recently drilled, and should they make any new discovery between this and spring a new test hole will be drilled not far from the old hole.

The company is of the opinion that gas of a sufficient quantity might be found in their entire acreage, which covers between 3,000 and 5,000 acres, to be a sufficient amount for domestic use in the immediate vicinity.

ENGINEERS TO MEET**They Will Gather in Cumberland from
All Divisions of the B. & O.**

The tenth quarterly meeting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of the Baltimore & Ohio system will be held in South Cumberland February 17 and 18. In addition to the many engineers and their wives there will be many visiting delegations and spectators. Every Brotherhood in the system will be represented.

It is expected that Major J. G. Pennington of Baltimore, chairman of the safety first committee of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, will attend and will likely deliver an address. On the night of February 17 a public meeting will be held in Odd Fellows hall.

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**ROCKWOOD IS CERTAIN B. & O.
WILL BUILD BIG YARDS THERE****Prediction is Made That It is Again
to Be Made Terminal for
Train Crews.**

ROCKWOOD, Jan. 16.—As a result of tests made during the past week, Rockwood railroad men are said to be certain that this place, rather than Somerset, will be made the terminal for the crews which haul coal off the Somerset & Cambria branch to Cumberland. Four trial runs were made between Somerset and Cumberland, it is said, and only one crew made the round trip within the 16-hour limit as prescribed by law.

The belief exists here that the Rockwood yards will be enlarged and the crews located here. In that event the new yards at Somerset will be used for storage purposes. The Baltimore & Ohio recently purchased a strip of land along the Wilson Creek branch, north of Rockwood, where the new yards will likely be located.

In case Rockwood is made the terminal, the haul to Cumberland and return will be reduced by 20 miles. A big tonnage originates on the Somerset & Cambria branch, which is one of the best feeders of the system.

There is a belief here that along with other improvements Rockwood will get a new passenger and freight station.

**WALSH'S DISTRICT LEADS IN
PRODUCTION OF COAL IN 1913****Chief Roderick's Estimates Give
Banner to Ninth Bituminous
District.**

HARRISBURG, Jan. 16.—According to estimates made by Chief James Roderick of the State Department of Mines, the production of coal in two bituminous districts which are located in Fayette county last year amounts to 27,250,000 tons, in the fifth district, of which I. G. Roby is the inspector, the estimated production is 6,000,000 tons. The ninth district in charge of P. J. Walsh of Connelville, produced 7,500,000 tons. The sixteenth district of which W. H. Horwath of Brownsville is inspector had a production of 7,000,000 tons. The twenty-third district under the supervision of Edward E. Gird of Uniontown, had a production estimated at 6,750,000 tons. Fayette county produced about one-sixth of the entire bituminous production in the state last year.

The production of bituminous coal in 1912 was 169,830,432 net tons, and for 1913 the estimate is 168,000,000 net tons. Coke tonnage is estimated at somewhere between 22,000,000 and 24,000,000 net tons. The number of employees in the soft coal region is given as 155,000.

LIQUID COAL**German Scientist Shows That Carbon
Can Be Melted.**

Professor Lummer of Germany recently made an announcement which has produced a sensation in scientific circles. He declared that he had succeeded in transforming coal carbon into liquid form. He obtained this result by experimenting on the carbon contained in an ore lump of 320 volts, making the observation that by applying an under-current, the carbon of coal began to dissolve; first, the tension made the coal soft, and then, by stronger application, began to flow. Professor Lummer made these experiments with various quantities of coal, especially with a pure coal which contained only 15 per cent of gases. That the coal and no other substances softened is proved by the fact that the slide product was graphite. In a similar manner Professor Lummer hopes to dissolve diamonds.

Professor Lummer is considered one of the foremost authorities in the line of physics in Germany. He was born in 1850 in Breslau, for a long time was assistant of Helmholtz in Berlin, and then worked in the Physical Imperial Institute in Charlottenburg. He is the inventor of a number of very important optical instruments, like, for example, the photometer.

SIGN OF GOOD TIMES**Shenango Valley Iron and Steel Mills
Start.**

SHARON, Pa., Jan. 16.—Iron and steel manufacturers of the Shenango valley are optimistic over the signs of returning prosperity. The Carnegie Steel Company's Farrell works this week will have eight or nine open-hearth furnaces; one blast furnace, coke ovens and plate and blooming mills running. For weeks only four or five open-hearth furnaces have been operated.

The third mill of the American Sheet & Tinplate Company is running practically at full capacity for the first time in many weeks, and four of the eight sheet mills are on. The remaining four likely will be started within another week. The American Steel & Wire Company's plant is running at about 35 per cent of capacity.

MURDER IS VERDICT**Coroner's Jury Believes Veteran Met
With Fatal Play.**

At the inquest into the death of John H. Smith, the Civil War veteran of Smithfield, conducted yesterday afternoon by Coroner H. J. Smith, the jury's verdict was that Smith came to his death by foul play at Ruble's Mill Saturday morning. The jury recommended that the county authorities thoroughly investigate the peculiar circumstances surrounding the death of Mr. Smith, whose charred bones were found lying in the grate of his home.

GREATER TONNAGE; MORE ACCIDENTS

The annual report of mine inspectors will indicate an increased output during 1913 in almost all the Pennsylvania districts. More accidents have occurred, however, in spite of safety and first-aid work, more miners were killed than in 1912, but more were employed than for many years.

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**FRENCH PLEADS FOR
RATE INCREASE AT
SOMERSET BANQUET****Railroad Official is Main
Speaker Before Board
of Trade.****URGES PETITION TO WASHINGTON****Tells Business Men of Mountain Town
That Railroads are Not Paying
Politely When They Retrench; Super-
intendent O. L. Eaton a Speaker.**

SOMERSET, Jan. 17.—A plea in behalf of the railroads' efforts to obtain an advance in freight rates was made before the Somerset Board of Trade at its second annual banquet last night by C. L. French of Pittsburgh, assistant general superintendent of the Pittsburgh grand division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. Mr. French was the principal speaker at the banquet. Other railroad officials who spoke were G. W. Scruggins, general passenger agent, J. P. Tisler, assistant general passenger agent, Superintendent O. L. Eaton of the Connelville division, and T. J. Walters, division freight agent.

Mr. French urged that the Board of Trade forward a petition to the Interstate Commerce Commission endorsing the railroads' request for increased freight rates. He proceeded to explain his attitude, and show why the increase should be granted.

That the Baltimore & Ohio had just \$115,600 with which to begin the new year, after dividends had been paid, was one of the startling statements made. "The railroads are not paying politics when they retrench," Mr. French declared. "They are retrenching because they have no money to spend on improvements. The railroads are more rigidly regulated than any other branch of business, and the power of the practical public owner-

ship of the railroads in everything except the name."

Mr. French stated that he would use his efforts to obtain a new passenger station for Somerset, which is badly needed, and which has been agitated for some years past.

The banquet was attended by more than 200 persons. Former Judge Francis J. Koser was the toastmaster. Local speakers commented upon the success with which the Board of Trade has met during the year just closed.

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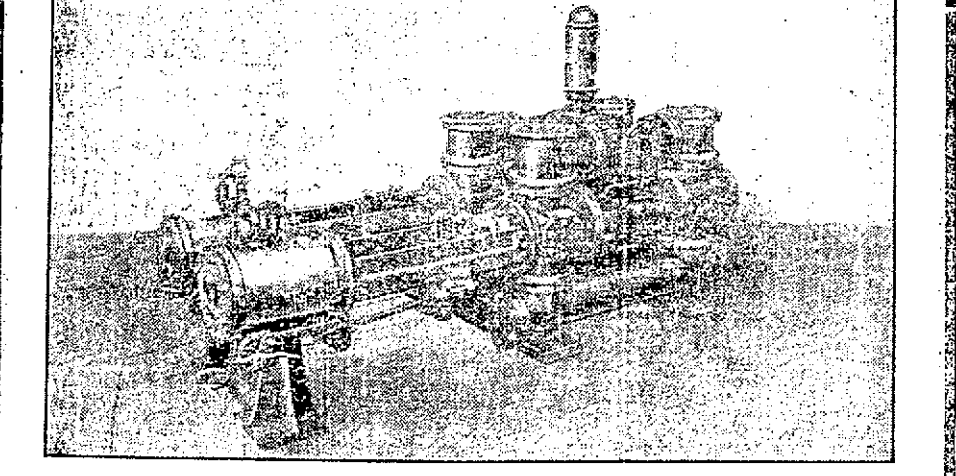
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